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| Commis                | ssioner for Patents Wasi           | migion, b.o. zeze                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 37 C.F.R. § 1.10" as "Express Mail Post Office to Address                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
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|                       | tant Conington, I                  | Applicant is  Applicant is  Applicant is  Is attached.  Was already to other than a small of the reby certify that, on the date show deposited with the United States Commissioner for Patents Was 37 C.F.R. § 1.8(a) with sufficient postage as first classes. | December 30, 1999 Examine DISSEMINATION OF LITIGATION II  tant Commissioner for Patents ington, D.C. 20231  AMENDMENT TRAN  Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this a  STATUS  Applicant is  a small entity. A verified statement:  is attached.  was already filed.  other than a small entity.  CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CF  (When using Express Mail, the Express Mail certification of the commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231  27 CER 6 1.8(a) |

Date: October 28, 2002

Lisa D. Jones

(type or print name of person certifying)

\*Only the date of filing (§ 1.6) will be the date used in a patent term adjustment calculation, although the date on any certificate of mailing or transmission under § 1.8 continues to be taken into account in determining timeliness. See § 1.703(f). Consider "Express Mail Post Office Addressee" (§ 1.10) or facsimile transmission (§ 1.6(d)) for the reply to be accorded the earliest possible filing date for patent term adjustment calculations.

#### **EXTENSION OF TERM**

| NOTE: | *Extension of Time in Patent Cases (Supplement Amendments) – If a timely and complete response                        |
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|       | has been filed after a Non-Final Office Action, an extension of time is not required to permit filing and/or entry or |
|       | an additional amendment after expiration of the shortened statutory period.                                           |
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If a timely response has been filed after a Final Office Action, an extension of time is required to permit filing and/or entry of a Notice of Appeal or filing and/or entry of an additional amendment after expiration of the shortened statutory period unless the timely-filed response placed the application in condition for allowance. Of course, if a Notice of Appeal has been filed within the shortened statutory period, the period has ceased to run." Notice of December 10, 1985 (1061 O.G. 34-35).

NOTE: See 37 CFR 1.645 for extensions of time in interference proceedings, and 37 CFR 1.550(c) for extensions of time in reexamination proceedings.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.740(b) "...an applicant shall be deemed to have failed to engage in reasonable efforts to conclude processing or examination of an application for the cumulative total of any periods of time in excess of three months that are taken to reply to any notice or action by the Office making any rejection, objection, argument, or other request, measuring such three-month period from the date the notice or action was mailed or given to the applicant, in which case the period of adjustment set forth in § 1.703 shall be reduced by the number of days, if any, beginning on the date after the date that is three months after the date of mailing or transmission of the Office communication notifying the applicant of the rejection, objection, argument, or other request and ending on the date the reply was filed. The period, or shortened statutory period, for reply that is set in the Office action or notice has not effect on the three-month period set forth in this paragraph."

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 apply.

(complete (a) or (b), as applicable)

(a) Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 (fees: 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(1)-(4) for the total number of months check below:

|             | Extension    | Fee for other than | Fee for      |  |  |
|-------------|--------------|--------------------|--------------|--|--|
|             | (months)     | small entity       | small entity |  |  |
| $\boxtimes$ | one month    | \$ 110.00          | \$ 55.00     |  |  |
|             | two months   | \$ 400.00          | \$200.00     |  |  |
|             | three months | \$ 920.00          | \$460.00     |  |  |
|             | four months  | \$1,440.00         | \$720.00     |  |  |

Fee \$ 55.00

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

(check and complete the next time, if applicable)

| An extension for        | months has already been secured and the                    |
|-------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|
| fee paid therefor of \$ | is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of |
| extension now requeste  | e <b>d</b> .                                               |

Extension fee due with this request \$55.00

**OR** 

(b) Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

### **FEE FOR CLAIMS**

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(b)-d)) has been calculated as shown below:

| (Col. 1)                                   |                                       | )     | (Col. 2)                              | (Col. 3) SMAI    |                   | ALL ENTITY      |    | OTHER THAN A<br>SMALL ENTITY |               |
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| TOTAL                                      | *44                                   | MINUS | ** 61                                 | =17              | X\$ _9=           | \$153.00        |    | X\$ 18=                      | \$0.00        |
| INDEP.                                     | * 2                                   | MINUS | ***6                                  | =0               | X\$ 42=           | \$0.00_         |    | X\$ 84=                      | \$0.00        |
| ☐FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM |                                       |       | X\$140=                               | \$               |                   | X\$280=         | \$ |                              |               |
|                                            |                                       |       |                                       | ADD              | TOTAL<br>DIT. FEE | \$153.00        | OR | TOTAL<br>ADDIT. FEE          | \$0.00        |

A duplicate of this paper is attached.

"After final rejection or action (§1.113) amendments may be made canceling claims or complying with any requirement of form which has been made." 37 C.F.R. § 1.116(a)(emphasis added). WARNING

(complete (c) or (d), as applicable)

| (c)         | No additional fee for claims is required.                                                                   |
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|             | OR                                                                                                          |
| (d) 🛛       | Total additional fee for claims required \$208.00                                                           |
|             | FEE PAYMENT                                                                                                 |
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| ☐ Authoriz  | ation is hereby made to charge the amount of \$                                                             |
| $\boxtimes$ | to Deposit Account No. 20-0090.                                                                             |
|             | to Credit card as shown on the attached credit card information authorization form PTO-2038.                |
| WARNING:    | Credit card information should not be included on this form as it may become public.                        |
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If the entry in Col. 1 is less than entry in Col. 2, write "0" in Col. 3.

If the "Highest No. Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, enter "20".

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The "Highest No. Previously Paid For" (Total or Indep.) is the highest number found in the appropriate box In Col. 1 of a prior amendment or the number of claims originally filed.

#### **FEE DEFICIENCY**

NOTE: If there is a fee deficiency and there is no authorization to charge an account, additional fees are
Necessary to cover the additional time consumed in making up the original deficiency. If the maximum, six-month
period has expired before the deficiency is noted and corrected, the application is held abandoned. In those
instances where authorization to charge is included, processing delays are encountered in returning the papers to
the PTO Finance Branch in order to apply these charges prior to action on the cases. Authorization to charge the
deposit account for any fee deficiency should be checked. See the Notice of April 7, 1986 (1065 O.G. 31-33).

6. If any additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Deposit Account No. 20-0090

## AND/OR

If any additional fee for claims is required, charge Deposit Account No. 20-0090.

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